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Mr. Williams,

When I started off as a freshman in high school, I realized of what impartance a good teacher can be. You were a great help to all the people in your class – especially to me. We had good times and bad times, but everything eventually worked out for the best. As I leave old A.W.H.S., I will always remember you among good teachers, among better men, and among the best of friends. I sincerely hope that you continue to inspire young students as you have inspired me. I wish you the best that life offers – always!!!

Wallace

Mr. Williams,

I guess you know you have helped me more than anyone in high school and I deeply appreciate all that you have done for me. I liked you more than any other teacher in high school. I'll always remember you as the one who personnally pushed me along when I faltered along the way, as the one who helped us all out no matter who we were, as the teacher who brought a good relationship between teacher and pupil, and as a loyal supporter of all the sports. You're the one teacher I won't ever forget.

A true friend,
Bobby Dibbs

DELMAR McADAMS
Editor-in-Chief

NANCY WEBSTER
Business Manager

Mr. Williams
I can truly say that I have enjoyed being in your classes very much I shall never forget the good times we used to have World History best of luck to a fine friend and good teacher

Graham

Church

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Volume VII

Mr. Williams,

I have enjoyed knowing you these past years more than words can express. You have truly been an inspiration to me. I consider you as one of my very best friends and I hope you do the same. I am not much at writing things like this but I want to say a great big "thank you" for all you have done for me. I will allways remember my freshman sponsor and I remain

Your friend
Robert Herrick
'54

May the pages herein bound bring to you reminiscent joy in the future.

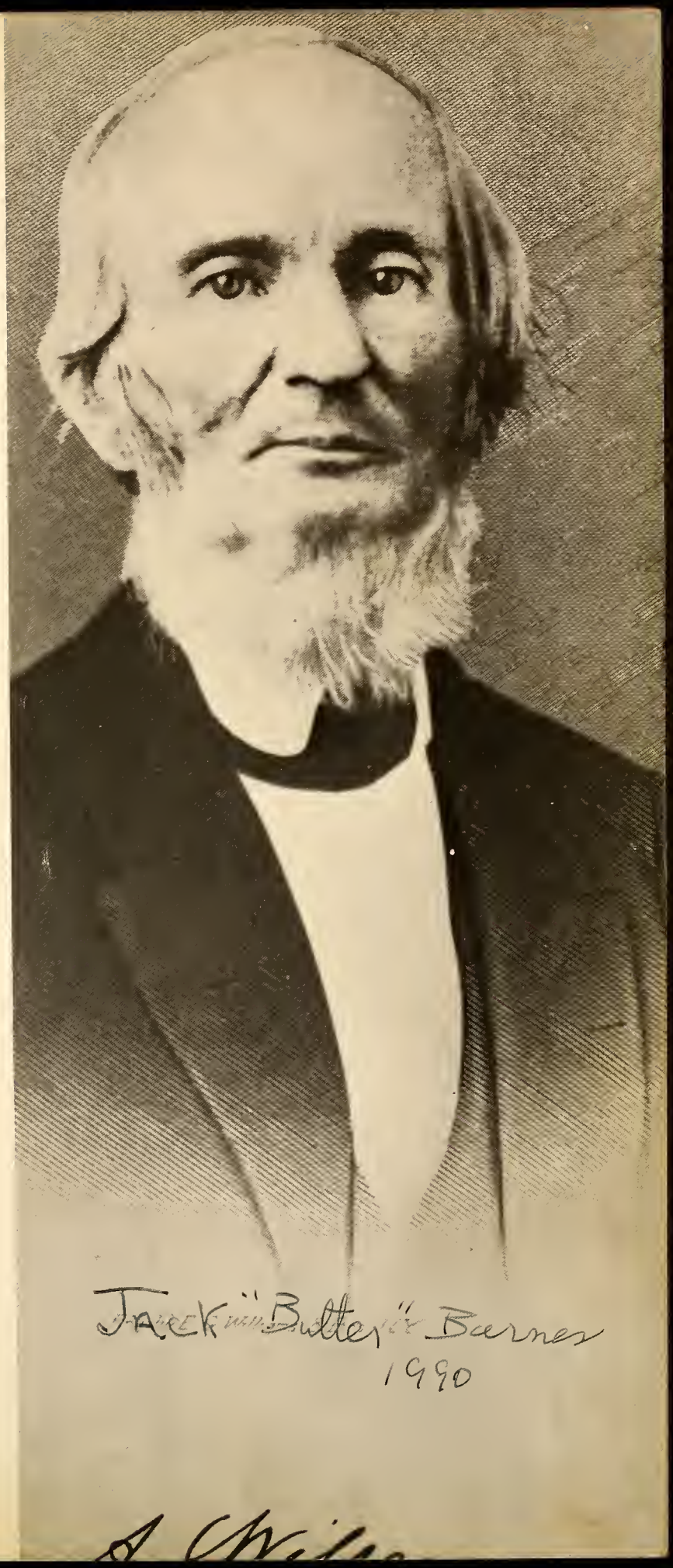
THE STAFF

Dedication

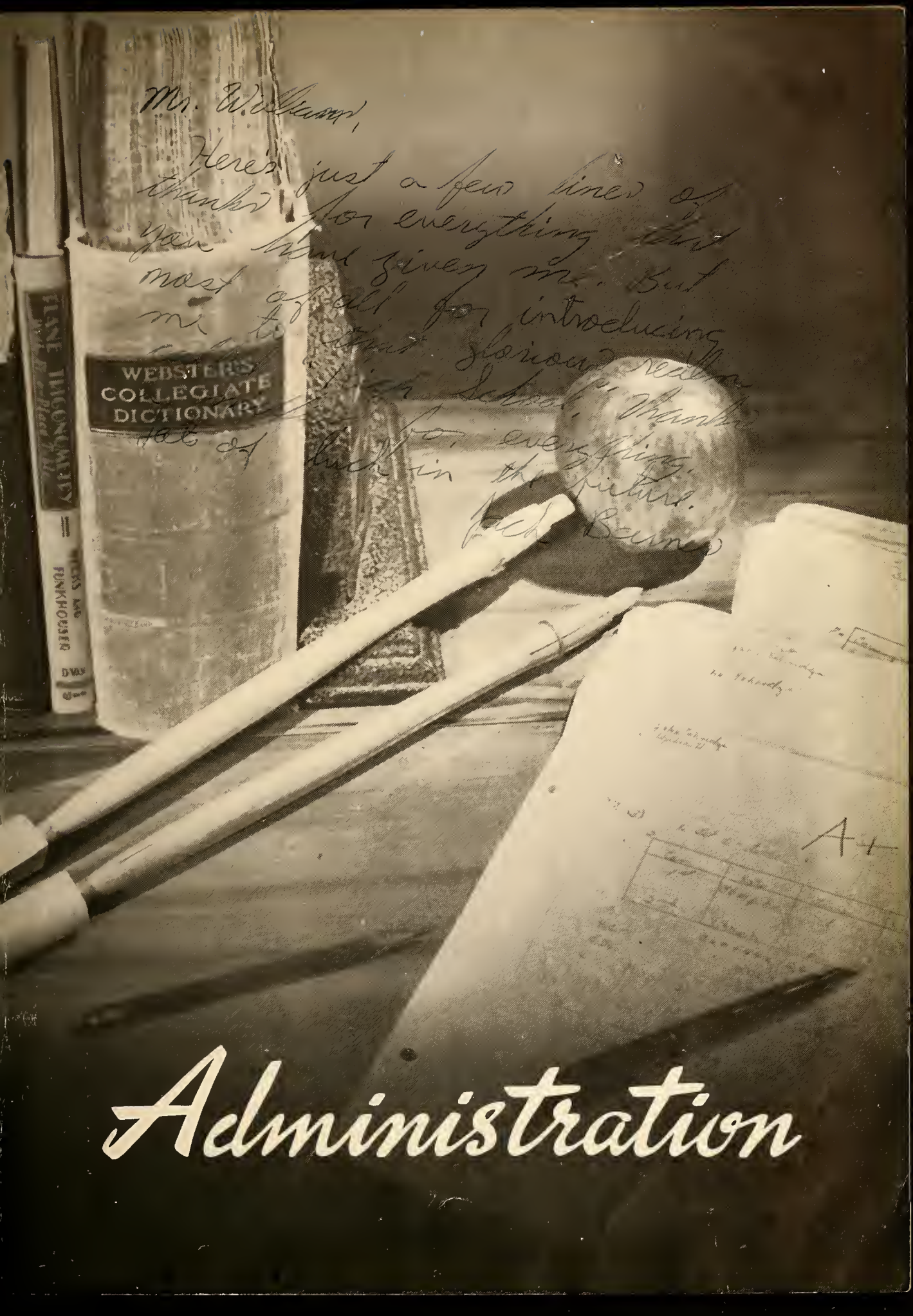
An efficient teacher, a helpful advisor, and an understanding friend, it is a privilege and an honor to dedicate to Mr. Thomas W. Williams this 1956 edition of the Wilsonian.

Reverend Alexander Wilson was born near Belfast, Ireland, February 1, 1799. He received an excellent education in preparation for the practice of medicine and the ministry. He came to America and Baltimore in 1818 and soon thereafter to Raleigh. There he was associated with the Raleigh Male Academy. It was also there that his childhood sweetheart came and married him. He was licensed by Orange Presbytery in 1830 and, as was customary, both taught and preached. He was associated with Williamsborough Academy before becoming head of Caldwell Institute of Greensboro in 1835. This was moved in 1845 to Hillsboro. Dr. Wilson bought a tract of land, one mile north of the present school, and established a classical school there in 1851, where he taught with eminent success the last 16 years of his life. He was assisted by his sons, Alexander (Little Doc), and Robert.

He died July 22, 1867, and was buried in Hawfields Church Cemetery.



Mr. Williams really
enjoyed being in your
class this year. I
will never forget you
and my lectures in
class. Lo
Lucky
Miss Alexander Wilson 1956
MARY ELLEN BROWN



Administration

Principal's Message

This yearbook will serve as a means of recalling many activities and associations of your high school days. As you recall these days it is hoped that your time spent here will become more precious to you. It should be remembered as a time of forming worth-while and lasting friendships, and as a time and place of associating with worth-while people. You have the very best wishes of the faculty. It is our hope that the very best will come to you for the future.

I commend those who have worked on this yearbook. I believe the contents will be valuable to you in recalling many good times spent together.

Cordially yours,

George B. Robbins

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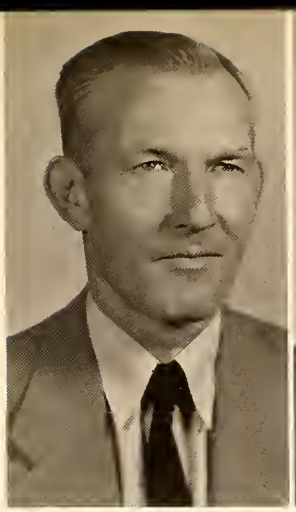

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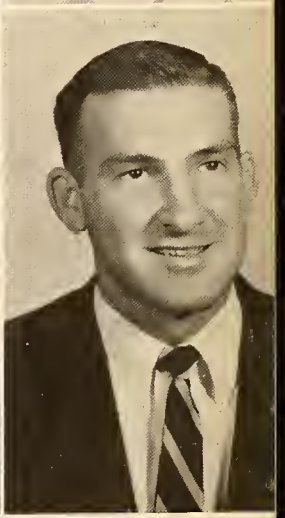

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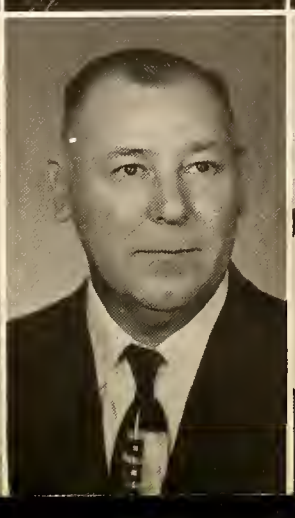
School Secretary



School Board

J. A. Crabtree, E. P. Webster, Sr., Chairman; W. W. Lambeth, A. W. Holmes, Sr., T. R. Crawford.

A Place to play.

A Place to work.

Classes

Senior Class

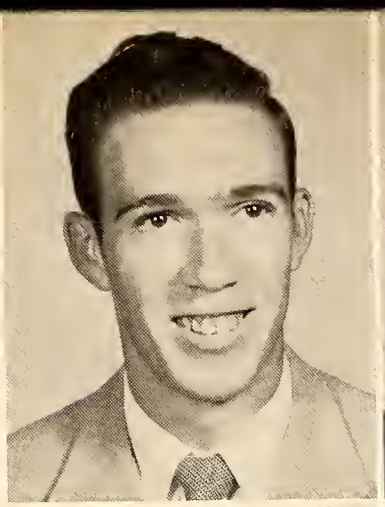
OFFICERS

THOMAS GILES HUNTER	*President*
ROBERT WARREN DILKS	*Vice President*
JEAN CATES WAGONER	*Secretary*
WALLACE CLAYTON SNIPES	*Treasurer*

MOTTO
Aim High, But Reach Higher

COLORS
Blue and White

FLOWER
White Carnation



FRED JUNIOR ABERCROMBIE *PETE*

Anything for a quiet life.

Class Treasurer 2; FFA Club 1, 4; Bus Drivers' Club 3.

EVELYN MAE ALLEN *EVELYN*

Not too serious, not too gay, a likeable girl in every way.

Class Treasurer 2; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 3; Monogram Club 2, 3, 4; Wilsonian Staff 4; Cheerleader 2, 3, 4, Chief 4; Superlative.

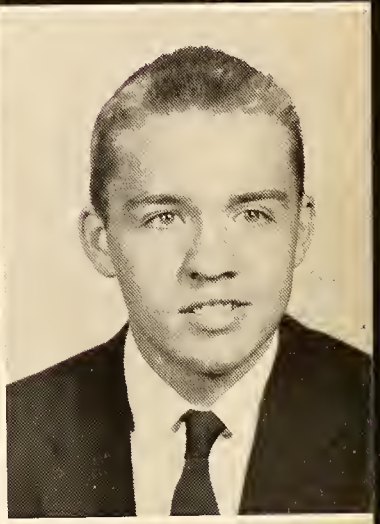
FAYE DEAN ASHE *FAYE DEAN*

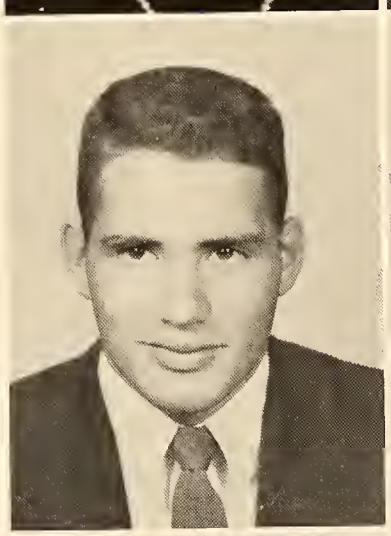
She's not a goddess, an angel, a lily or pearl. She's just that which is sweetest, completest and neatest. A dear little, quiet little, sweet little girl.

JACKIE KENNETH BARNES *BUTTER*

Rare compound of quality, noble and true
A plenty of wit and good sense, too.

Vice President of Class 2; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 4, Manager 2; FFA Club 1; Monogram Club 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 1; Student Council 3, 4, Vice President 3, President 4; Social Council 3; Marshal 2; Dramatics 3; Editor-in-Chief of Eagle 3; Class Testator; Superlatives.





ERNEST EVERETT CARDEN *COOT*

As crazy as Dopey, as cute as Doc, as mean as Grumpy, but a good old sock . . .

Football 2, 3, 4, Co-Captain 4; Baseball 3, 4; FFA 1, 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club 3, 4, Vice President 4.

PATSY GREY CARDEN *PAT*

Charming and pretty is she, May happiness in life her lot be.

Basketball 4; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3, 4.

VIRGINIA LOU CARDEN *GINNY*

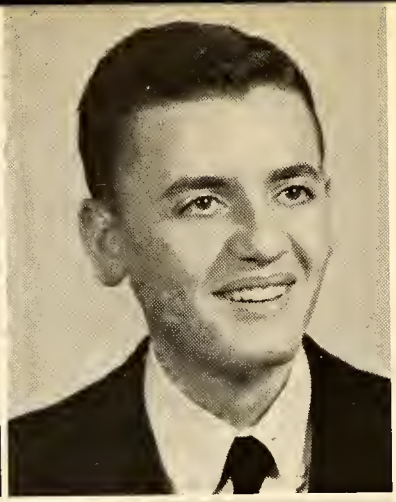
When hearts are true, few words will do.

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 1.

JEAN CATES WAGONER *PAT*

Mind cannot follow it, nor words express her infinite sweetest.

Class Secretary 1, 2, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA Club 1, 2, Parliamentarian 3, Vice President 4; Monogram Club 1, 2, 3, Secretary and Treasurer 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3; FHA Queen's Court 2, 3, 4, Marshal 2, 3; Social Council 3; Student Council 3, 4; Superlatives.



GRATHA MAE CAVINESS *MAE*

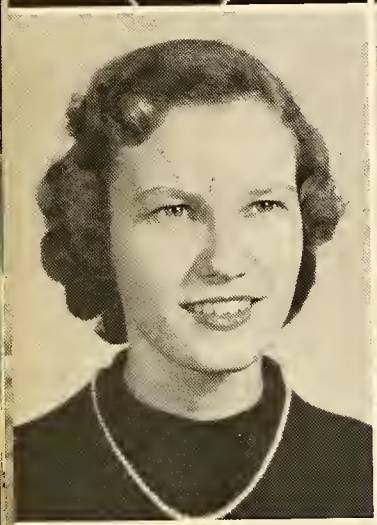
She is pretty to walk with, and witty to talk with, and pleasant, too, to think on.

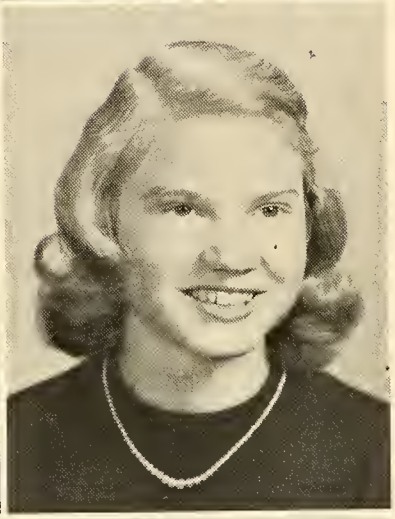
Class Secretary 3; FHA Club 1, 2; Marshal 3; Eagle Staff 3; Miss Alexander Wilson Court 4; Class Poet; Superlatives.

CARL CHURCH *NATURE BOY*

It doesn't pay to worry; Things are bound to happen anyway.

FFA Club 1, 2, 3.





GALE MADELINE COOK ISLEY *COOKIE*

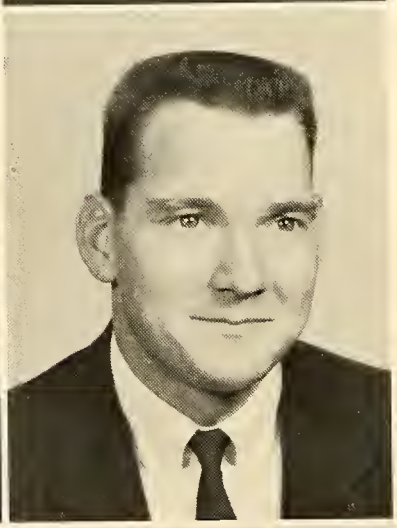
Soft to the weak and noble to the strong.

Class Treasurer 1; Basketball 1; FHA Club 2, 3, 4, Treasurer 4; Queen's Court 3; Queen 4; Monogram Club 3, 4, Secretary 4; Cheerleader 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 4; Superlative.

JUDY LENA CORDELL *SPEEDY*

A good woman is a wondrous creature.

Transfer from Owen High 4; Class President 2; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 3; FHA Club 1; Monogram 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 3; Bible Club 3; Latin Club 3; Beta Club 3.



PATRICIA ANN COUTURIER *PAT*

Live amid love and laughter, without love and laughter there is no joy.

Transfer from Pittsboro High 3; Class Secretary 2; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Reporter 2; Monogram Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3, Recitation Contest 2.

HERMAN THEODORE CRAWFORD, JR. *EGGY*

First in sports, first in the game, he has made for himself a remembered name.

Football 1, 2, 3, Co-Captain 3; Basketball 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; FFA Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Vice President 3, President 4; Monogram Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Superlatives.

ROBERT WARREN DILKS *BOBBY*

The glory of a firm, capacious mind.

Vice President of Class 4; Football 3, 4; Baseball 2, 3; Basketball 1, 3; Student Council 2, 3; Social Council 3; Monogram Club 3, 4; Glee Club 3; FFA Club 1, Treasurer; Creed Contest; Parliamentary Procedure Team; Dramatics 2, 3; Superlative.

JEANETTE MARIE FARRELL *JEANETTE*

Never idle a moment, but thrifty and thoughtful of others.

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4;FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Secretary 4; Monogram Club 2, 3, 4; Miss Alexander Wilson Court 3, 4; Wilsonian Staff 3; Superlative.

MARCIA PATTERSON FARRELL *PAT*

I care not who writes the laws of the country so long as I may listen to its songs.

Basketball 2, 3, 4; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club 3, 4; Glee Club 4; Bus Drivers' Club 4; Social Council 4; Miss Alexander Wilson Court 4; Marshal 2.

SHELBY JEAN FARRELL *SQUIRREL*

Full of pep and full of fun, she is liked by everyone.

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Captain 4; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Treasurer 2, Assistant Treasurer 3, Secretary 4; FHA Court 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3; Student Council 1; Superlative.

PEGGY ESTHER HOLT *PEG*

It's good to be merry and wise, It's good to be honest and true.

Glee Club 2, 3; 4-H Cluh 1, 2, 3.

THOMAS GILES HUNTER *FLETCH*

Whatever the situation, he is never speechless.

Class President 1, 4; Class Treasurer 3; Football 1; Basketball 4; Baseball 2, Manager; FFA Club 1; Student Council 4; Eagle Staff 3, Chief Reporter; Bus Drivers' Club 3, 4; Wilsonian Staff 4; Dramatics 3; Superlative.

PATRICIA ANN JOHNSON *PAT*

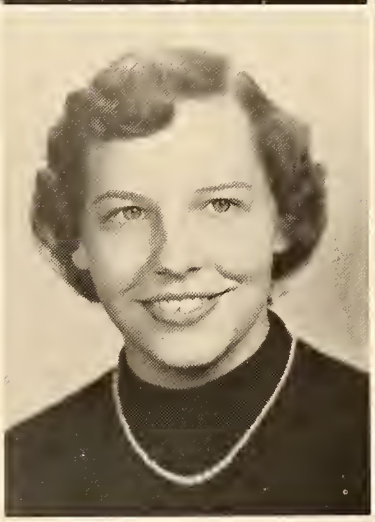
A helping hand to always lend, that is what makes Pat a friend.

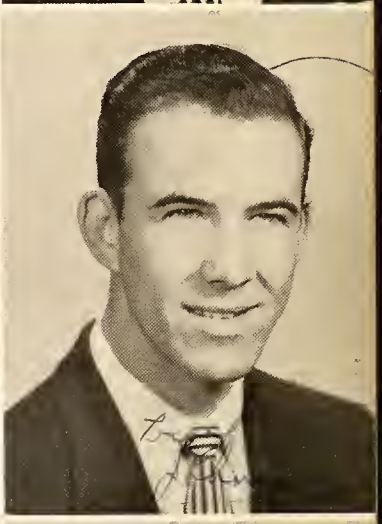
Glee Club 2, 3; Marshall 3; Superlative.

TROY DEAN JOHNSON *SLIM*

A witty tongue and a ready will, whatever you want he can fill the bill.

Transfer from Central High 4; Baseball 1; Basketball 4; Photography Club 3; Homework Anonymous Club 2, 3.





BARBARA KAY JONES *MIGHTY MITE*

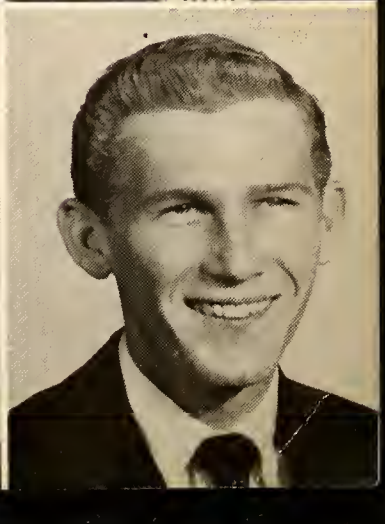
Worry and I have never met.

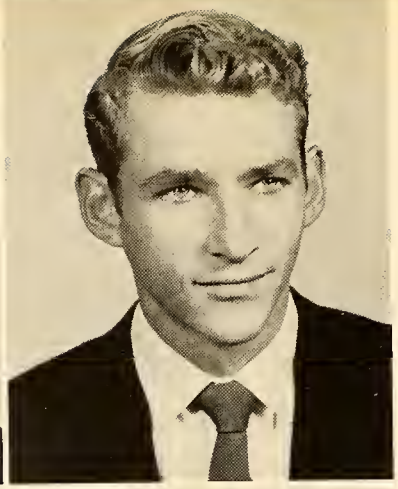
Basketball 1, 2, 4; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 3; 4-H Club 1, 2; Mascot 1944; Miss Alexander Wilson, Jr., 1952-53; Wilsonian Staff 4, Art Editor; Giftorian 4; Superlative.

JIMMY ALLEN JONES *JIMMY*

I'll be merry and free, I'll be sad for nobody.

FFA Club 1, 3, Reporter 1.





ELLA RAE JUSTICE *ELLA RAE*

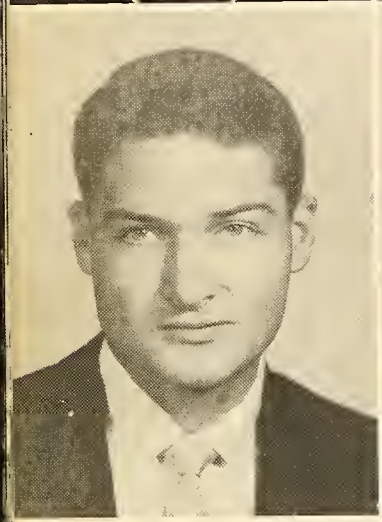
To love and be loved is the greatest happiness of existence.

Class President 2; Cheerleader 3; FHA Cluh 1, 2, 3, 4, FHA Court 3; Monogram Cluh 3; Glee Club 2, 3; Marshal 3; Superlative.

ROGER DEAN JUSTICE *DEAN*

Happy am I: from care I'm free, Why aren't all content like me?

Baseball 3, 4; FFA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club 3, 4; Bus Drivers' Club 4.



JOHN DIXON KIMREY, JR. *J.D.*

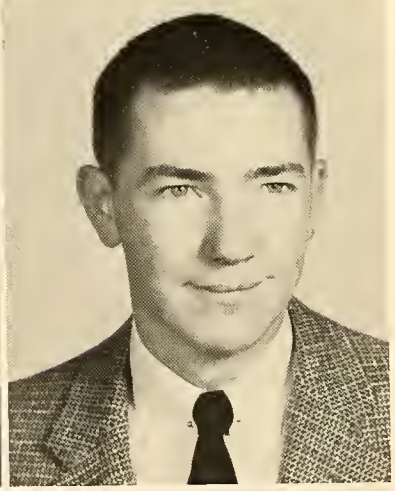
In quietness, and confidence shall be your strength.

FFA Cluh 1, 2, 3, 4; Superlative.

CAROL ANNE LASHLEY *CAROL*

A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance.

4-H Club 1, 2, 3; Glee Club 2, 4; Bus Drivers' Club 3, 4.



LINDA CRAWFORD LONG *LYNN*

She was one of the quiet kind, whose natures never vary.

Glee Club 3; Superlative.

DELMAR WARREN MCADAMS *MAC*

Women, women, I like them all.

Football 2, 3; Basehall 1, 2, Manager; FFA Cluh 1; Monogram Club 3, 4; Marshal 2, 3, 4, Chief 4; Dramatics 2, 3; Feature Editor of Eagle Staff 3; Wilsonian Staff 3, 4, Editor-in-Chief 4; Social Council 3; Superlative.

RAYMOND RONALD MCPHERSON *BLUE*

Thy modesty is a candle to thy merit.

Baseball 2; FFA Club 1, 2, 3, 4.

ROBERT HEWITT MERRITT *RABBIT*

Not that I like study less, but that I like fun more.

FFA Cluh 1; Social Council 4; Class Prophet; Editor-in-Chief of Eagle 4; Superlatives.

LANE LANDON MULLIS *LUCKY*

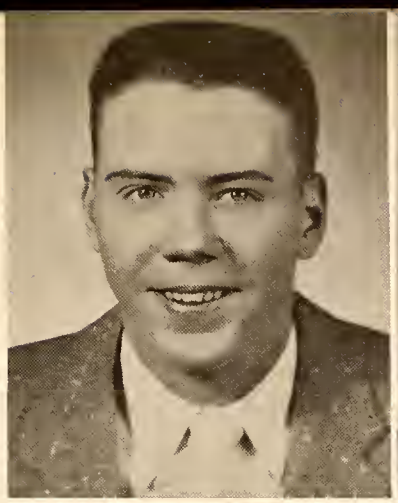
Ask me no questions and I'll tell you no lies.

Transfer from Endy High 3; Basketball 1; FFA Club 1, 2, 3; 4-H Club 2; Glee Club 1; Marshal 3; Bus Drivers' Club 2, 3, 4.

JUDY ANDREA NEEDHAM *JUDY*

Light of the world and star of the human race.

4-H Club 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 4; Wilsonian Staff 4, Snapshot Editor.



BARBARA ANN RAY *BOOTS*

Merrily, merrily, I shall live now.

School store worker 3; Superlative.

ODEAN RILEY *DEANIE*

Some ladies wed but some love and adore them.

Basketball 1, 2, 4; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 3; 4-H Club 1, 2; Superlative.

JACK FARRELL RONEY *JACKSON*

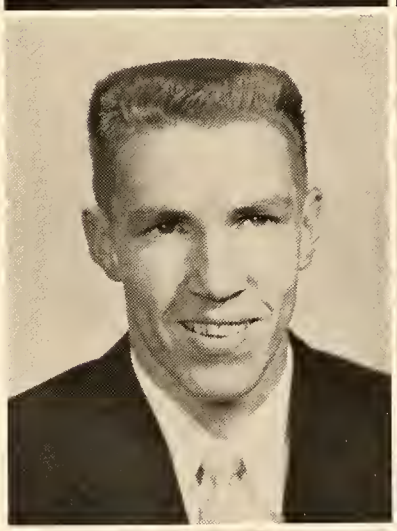
Not exactly afraid of work, but rather not be intimately associated with it.

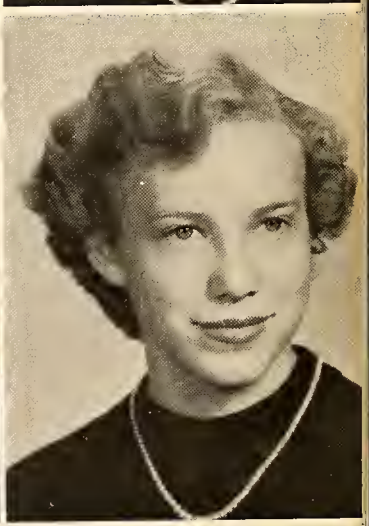
Football 1, 3; Basketball 1, 2; FFA 1, 4.

JOHNNIE LEA ROBERSON *JOHNNIE*

A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches.

FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4, President 4, FHA Court 4; Miss Alexander Wilson Court 3; Marshal 3.





GLENDA LEE SCOTT *DIMPLES*

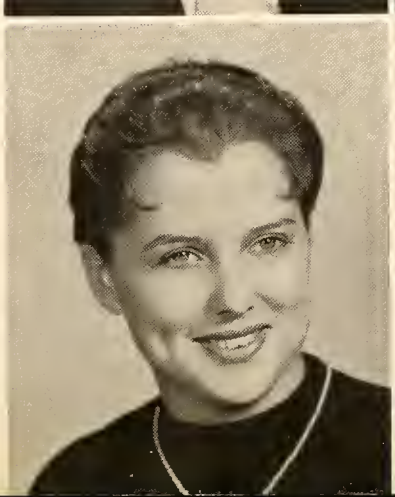
As welcome as sunshine in every place is the beaming approach of a good-natured face.

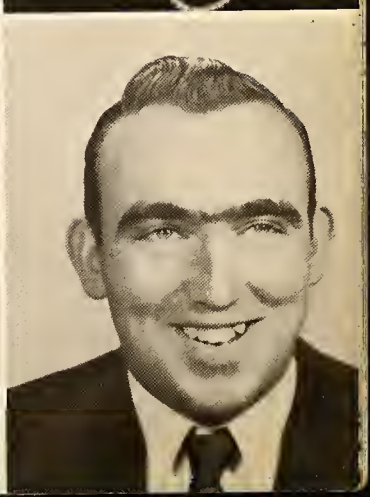
FHA Club 1, 2, 4; Glee Club 3, 4; 4-H Club 1.

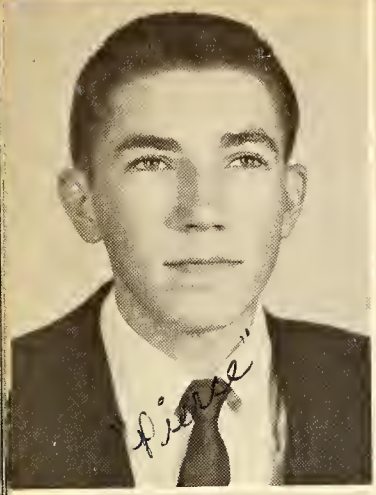
RAYMOND FRANKLIN SMITH *FRANK*

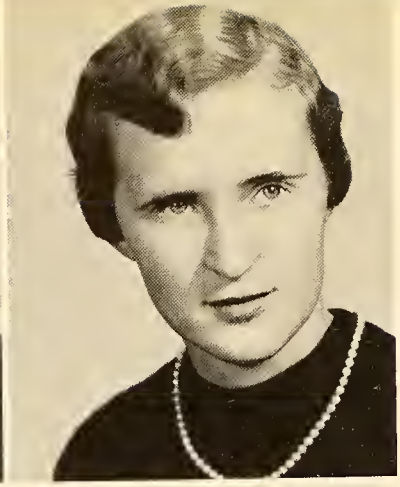
I grow old learning something new every day.

Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4, All-Conference 3, 4; Monogram Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Treasurer 4; FFA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, Vice President 2; Superlative.









WALLACE CLAYTON SNIPES *PIERCE*

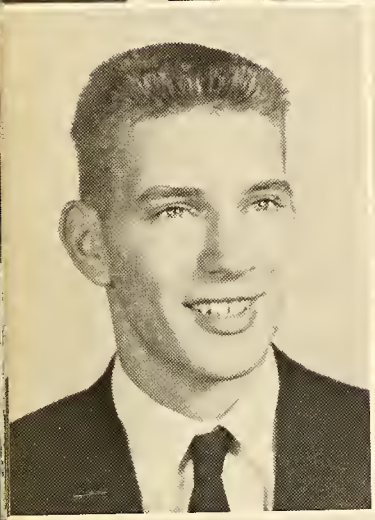
Reasoning at every step he treads.

Class Secretary 1; Class Treasurer 4; Class President 2; FFA Club 1, Secretary, Parliamentary Procedure Team; 4-H Club 1; Glee Club 4; Bus Drivers' Club 3, 4; Eagle Staff 3; Wilsonion Staff 4, Associate Editor; Superlatives.

ROSA ANN STANLEY *ROSIE*

A sweeter girl you'll never find, always considerate and oh, so kind.

FHA Club 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 3, 4.



JOHN ALVIS WEBSTER *AB*

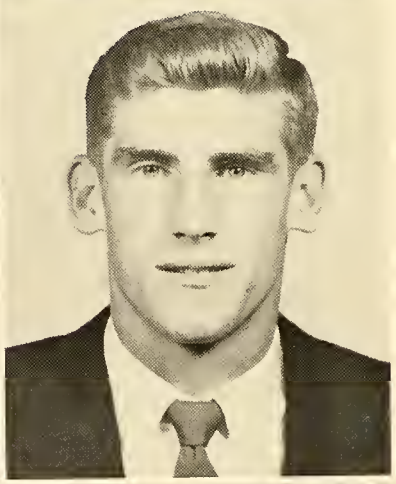
An opportunity well taken is the only weapon of advantage.

Class President 1, 3; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 3; Social Council 4, President; Wilsonian Staff 3, 4, Assistant Advertising Manager 3, Advertising Manager 4; Superlative.

NANCY CARROLL WEBSTER *NANCY*

We walk by faith, not by sight.

Class Vice President 3; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Manager 3; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Historian 4; Class Historian 4; Wilsonian Staff 4, Business Manager.



CONSTANCE LOU WILLIAMS *CONNIE*

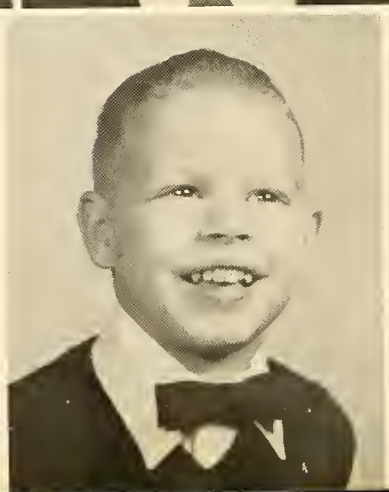
And when once the heart of a maiden is stolen, the maiden herself will steal after it soon.

Basketball 1, 2, 3; FHA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; FTA Club 3, 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3; Glee Club 4; Monogram Club 1, 2, 3, 4.

OMAR CARLOS WOODS, JR. *HOMER*

Not too serious, not too gay, but altogether a jolly good fellow.

Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Captain 4; Basketball 3, 4; Baseball 1; Monogram Club 2, 3, 4, President 4; FFA Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Wilsonian Staff 4, Sports Editor; Bus Drivers' Club 4.



Mascot
KENNETH
son of
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hobby

Mascot
LISA
daughter of
Rev. and Mrs.
Charles W. Nanney

Class History

What could be more exciting to seventy-two little green freshmen than to be upon the threshold of a new world? Now we had reached our long awaited dream of going to high school. We little freshmen, all but afraid, were looking forward to our first big year.

There were too many of us to be put into one classroom; hence two homeroom groups were made and advised by Miss Eloise Davis and Mr. Thomas M. Williams. For our class officers, we elected Tommie Hunter and Alvis Webster, Presidents; Max Guthrie and Dorlton Loy, Vice Presidents; Jean Carolyn Cates and Wallace Snipes, Secretaries; Gale Cook and Deanna Coble, Treasurers. Then we settled down to work in order that we might be better able to cope with the problems which arose throughout the year.

The second year was somewhat more promising for the fifty-three silly sophomores, who had become better acquainted with their new environment. Again the class was divided into two groups, section one guided by Mrs. Robert Scott and section two advised by Mrs. S. C. Burke. Wallace Snipes and Ella Rae Justice served as Presidents of the respective classes.

As juniors we felt rather important after we had been united into one big group with Mrs. S. C. Burke as our Advisor. We helped with the school annual, *The Wilsonian* and next we worked on the school paper, "The Eagle." Ordering and receiving our class rings was a big event but so was the Junior-Senior Banquet with its theme of "Harbor Lights." It is difficult to say which event thrilled us most. We do think it was a wonderful year and our President, Alvis Webster, capably led us.

Finally the big year arrived—the year that we had been working forward to for so long. At last we are seniors and our goal in life is not so far off. Officers had to be elected and definite plans for the year had to be made. With Tommie Hunter as our President; Bobby Dilks, Vice President; Jean Carolyn Cates, Secretary; and Wallace Snipes, Treasurer, our class began its work. Elections for the annual staff were held and Delmar McAdams was chosen editor. Work immediately began on *The Wilsonian.* Later the newspaper staff was chosen and Robert Merritt was elected editor. Again the Junior-Senior Banquet rolled around, and another mile-post in our lives had been reached.

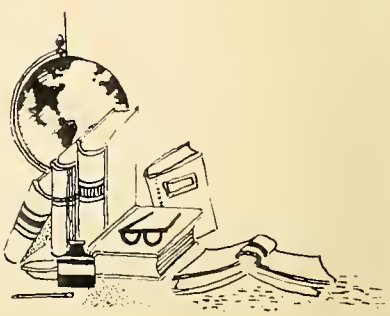
Although our twelve years at Alexander Wilson have been short, we have had many happy experiences and made many friends that will be part of us forever.

Nancy Webster
Historian

Junior Class

CLASS OFFICERS

NORMAN SAMMY ALLEN ..... *President*
JAMES GRAY SCARLETT ..... *Vice President*
MARY LOUISE HENDERSON ..... *Secretary*
JOHN RICHARD MOODY ..... *Treasurer*



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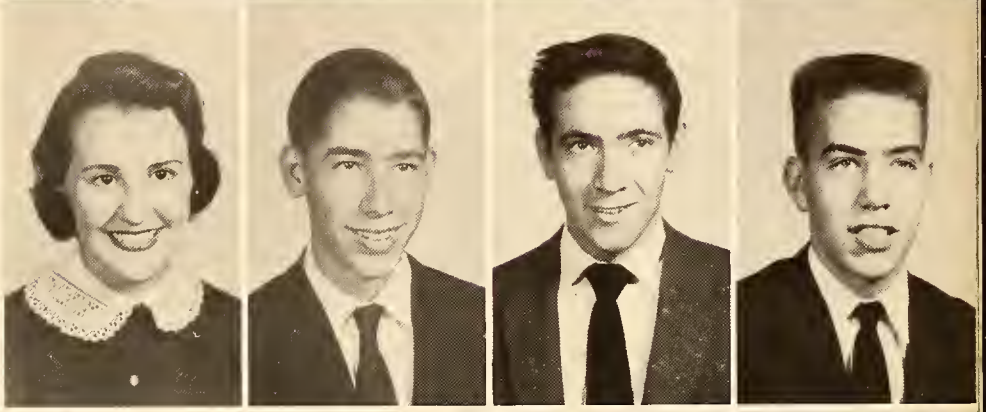
Marvin Lee Coble



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Mary Alice Crawford
Ronnie James Crutchfield

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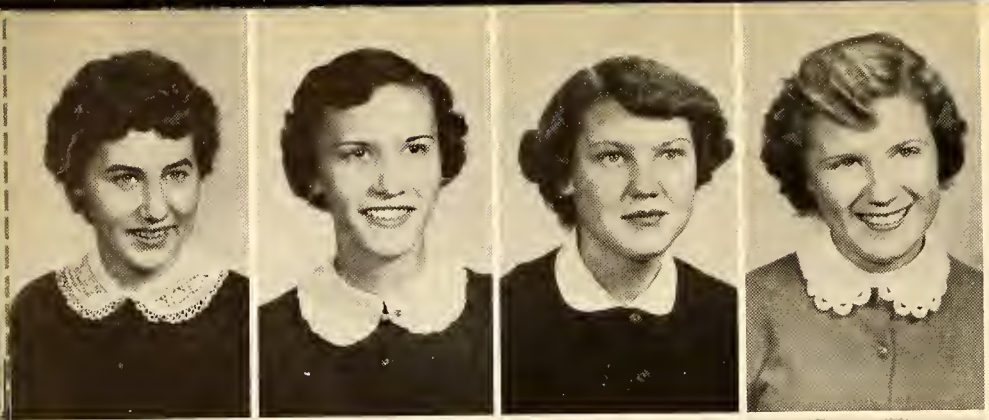

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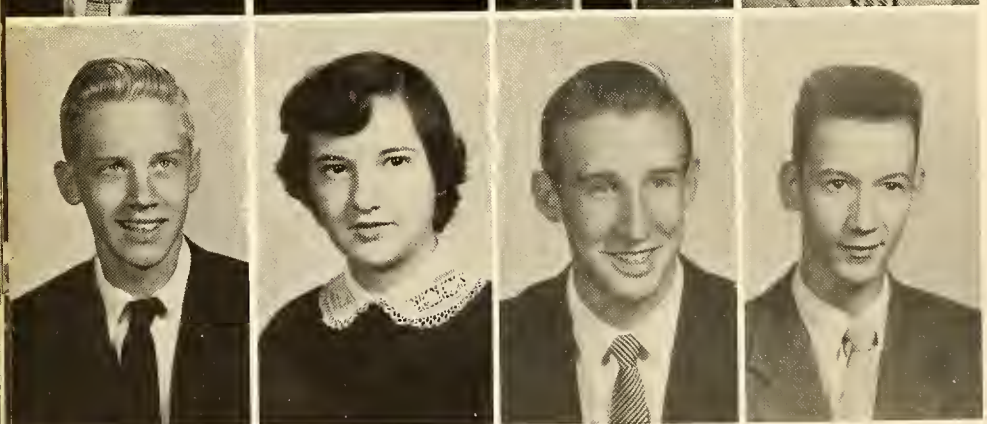

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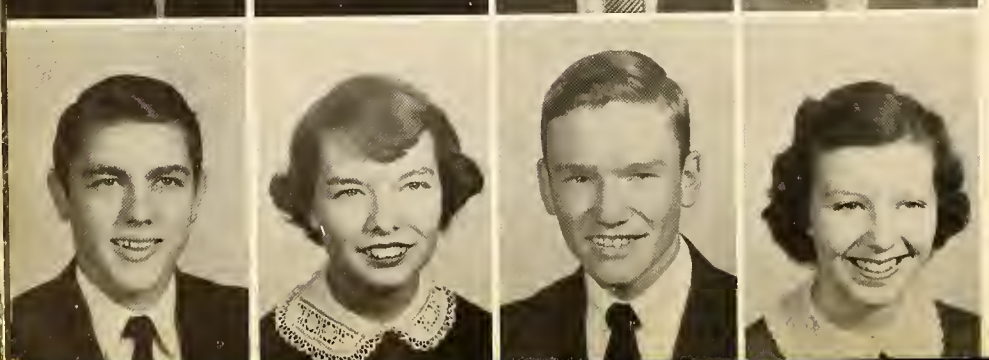

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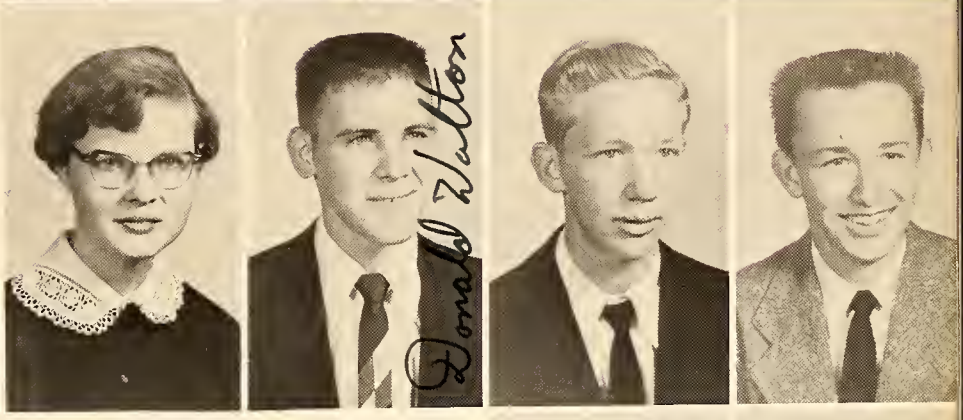

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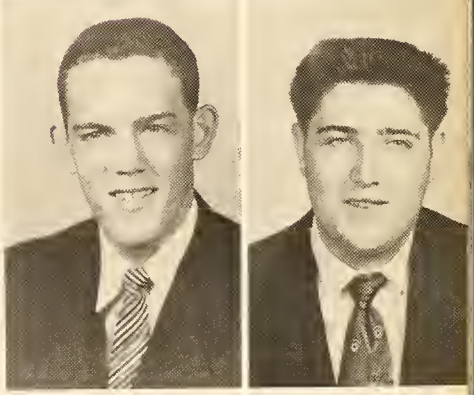
Not pictured:
James Harold McPherson



The Seniors "At Home"

Sophomore Class

OFFICERS

SECTION "I"

BILLY EUGENE GUMM ..... *President*
LINDA PATRICIA JUSTICE .... *Vice President*
NANCY BURKE THOMPSON ..... *Secretary*
LEONARD DARRELL PENDERGRAPH..... *Treasurer*

SECTION "A"

MARDEAN EVERETT ALLEN ..... *President*
RONALD WADE ALLEN ..... *Vice President*
JANET CATHERINE CRAWFORD .... *Secretary*
CURTIS CLINTON ISLEY ..... *Treasurer*

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Darrell Barrett

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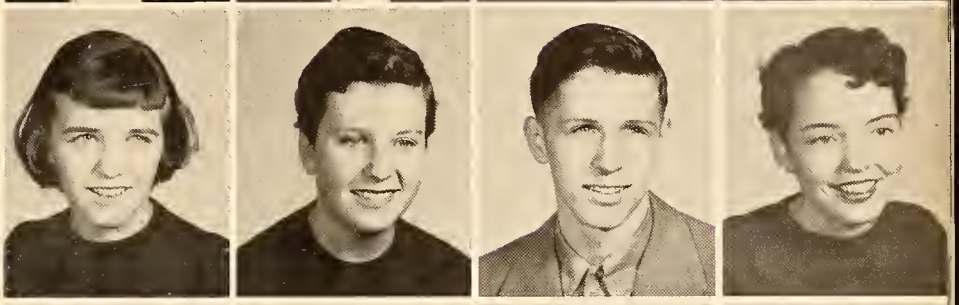

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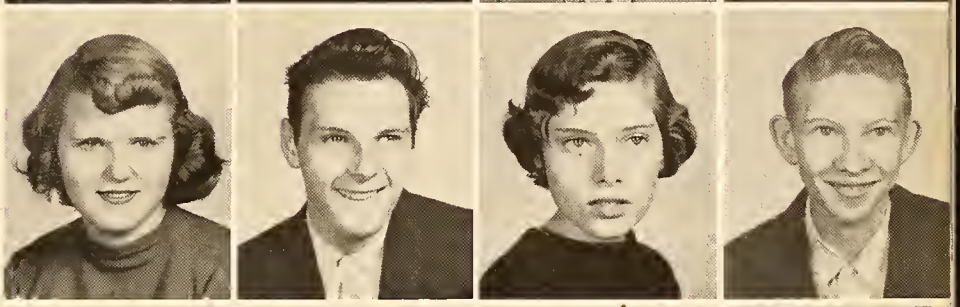

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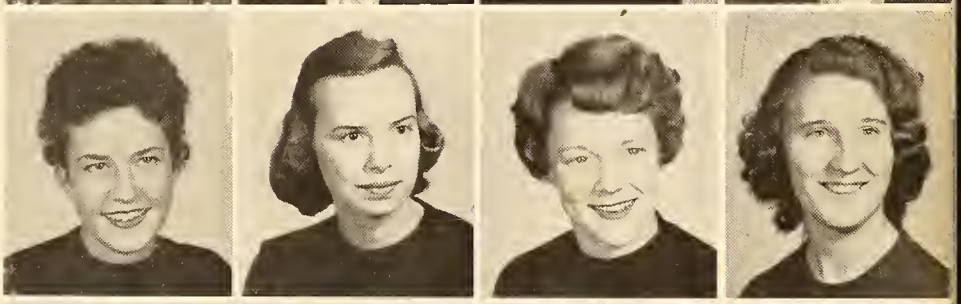

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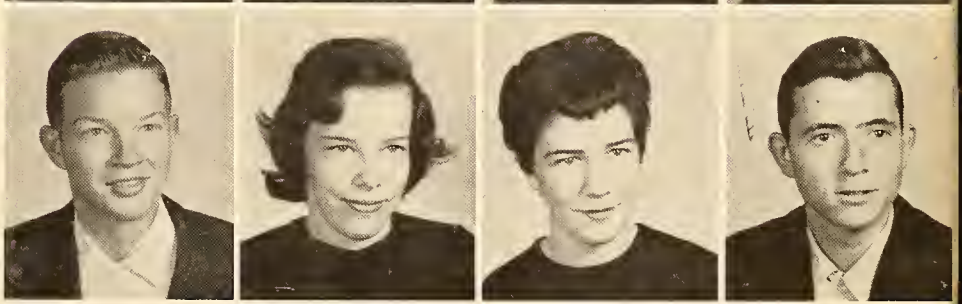

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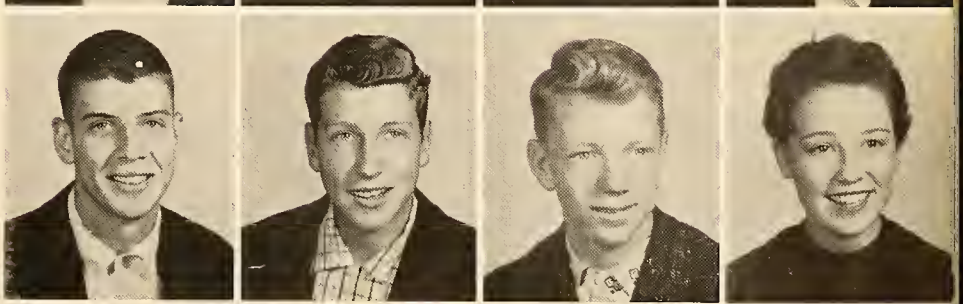

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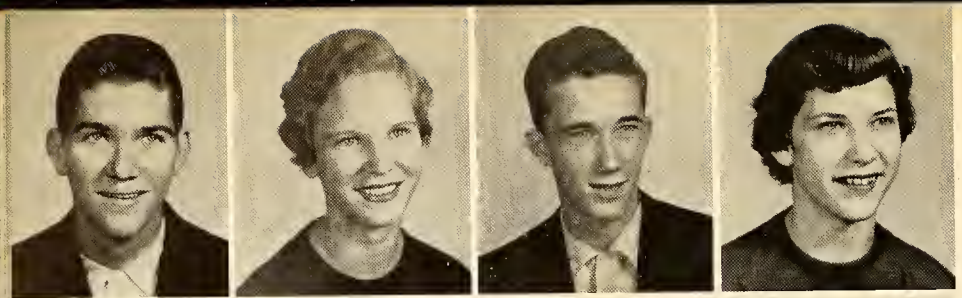

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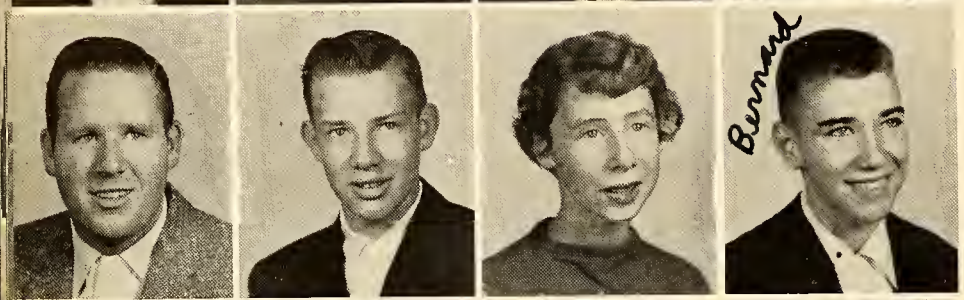

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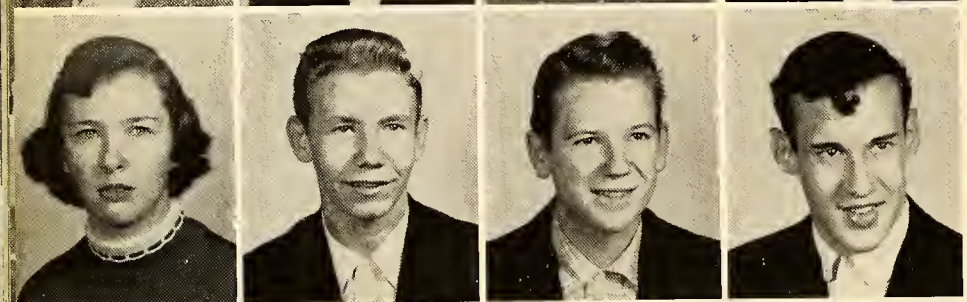

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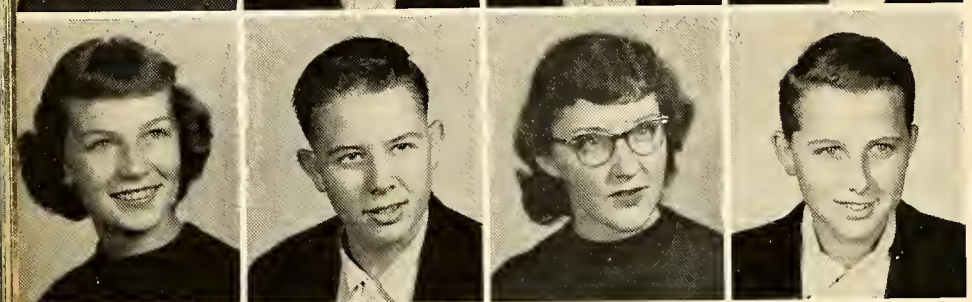

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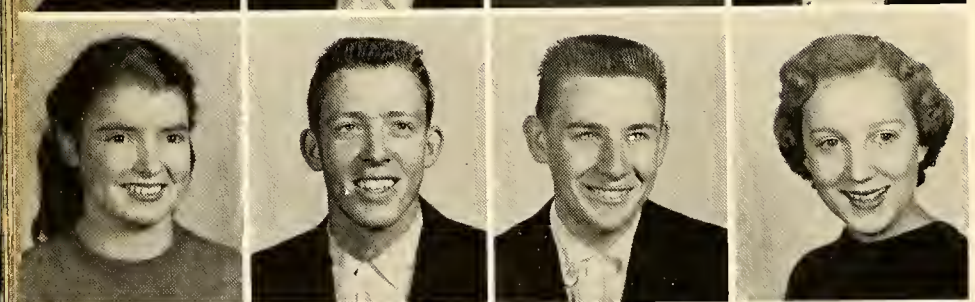

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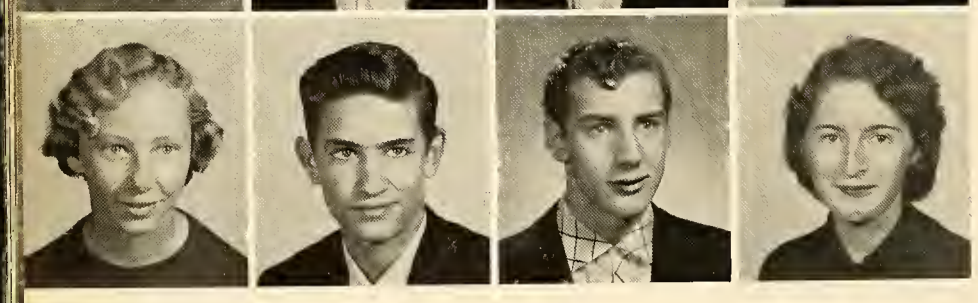

Patsy Marie Wagner
George Randolph Webster
Jack Alton Webster
Carolyn Faye Whitesell

Freshman Class

OFFICERS

SECTION "I"

HERBERT GARLAND DILLARD ..... *President*
DAVID NELSON COX ..... *Vice President*
PENNY LOUISE PARRISH ..... *Secretary*
JESSIE LEE ALBRIGHT ..... *Treasurer*

SECTION "A"

ROY LEE NEWTON ..... *President*
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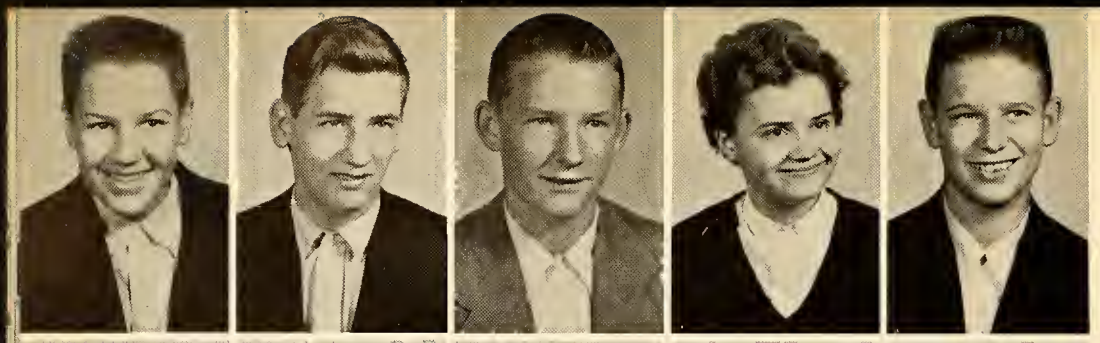

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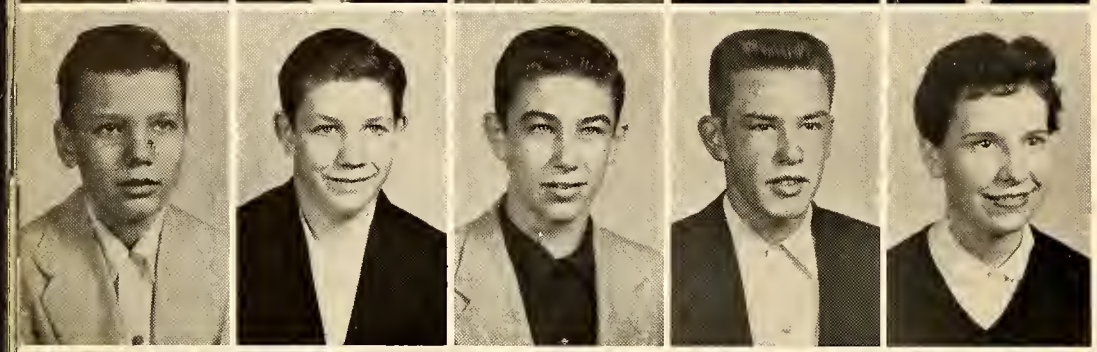

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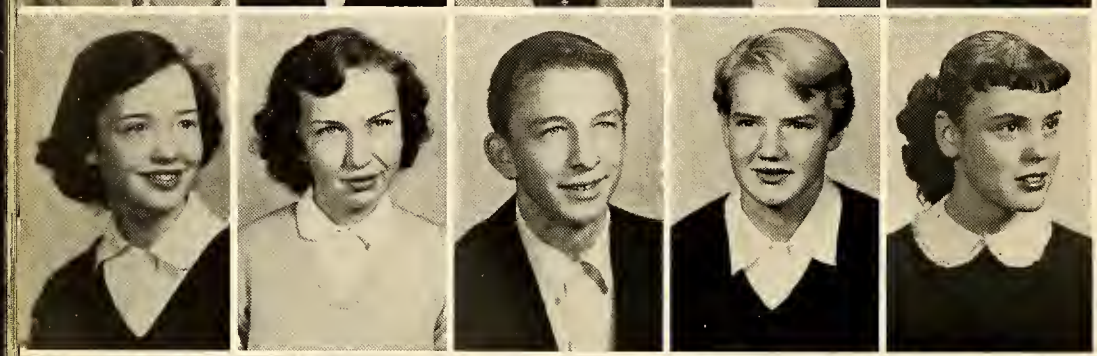

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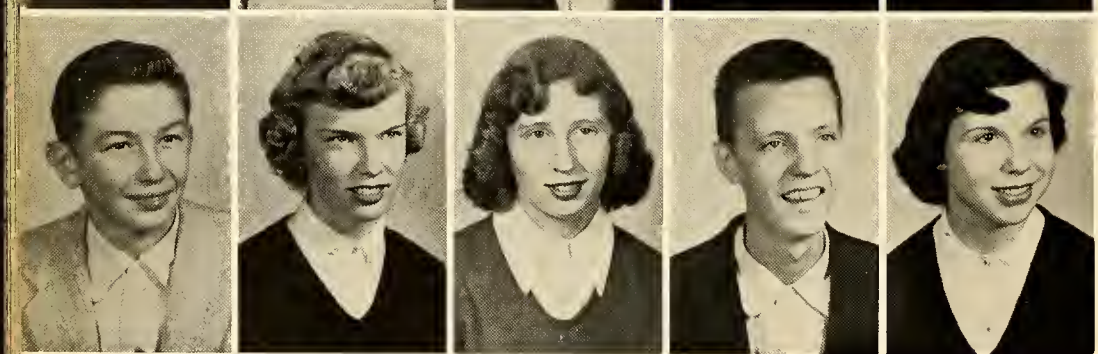

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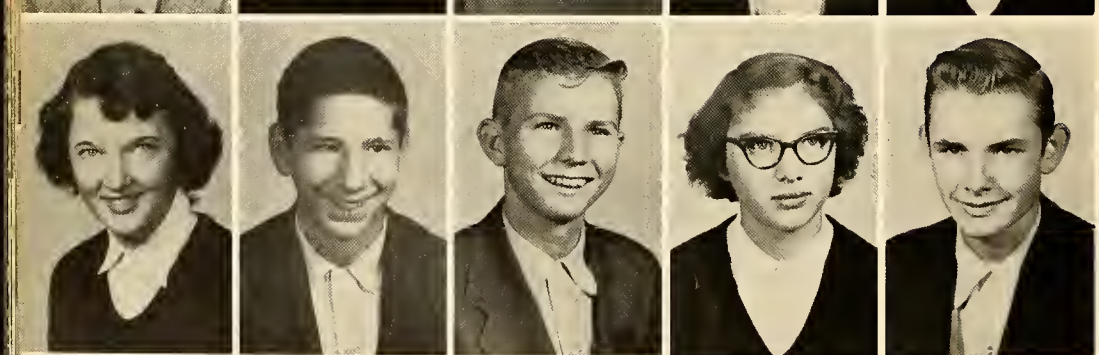

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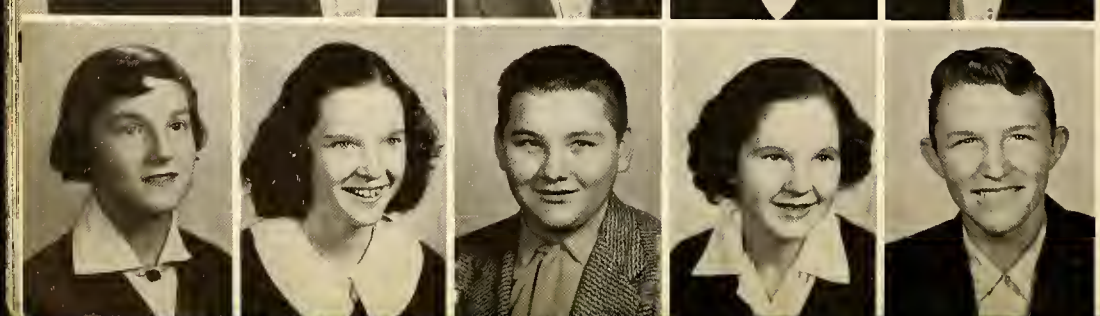

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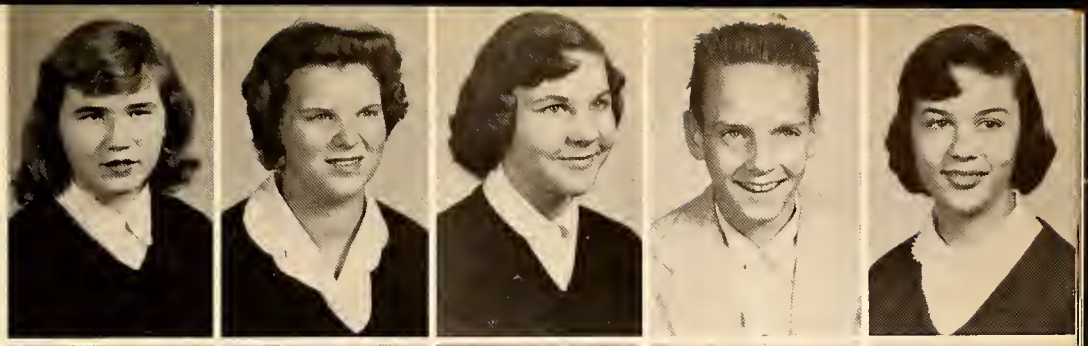

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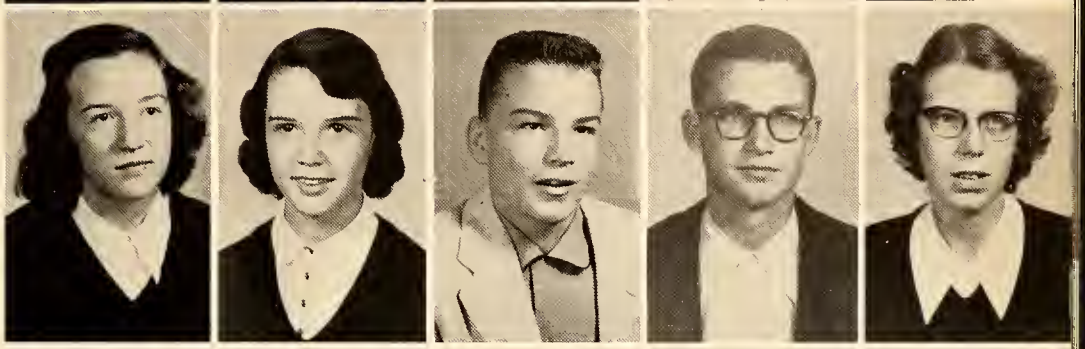

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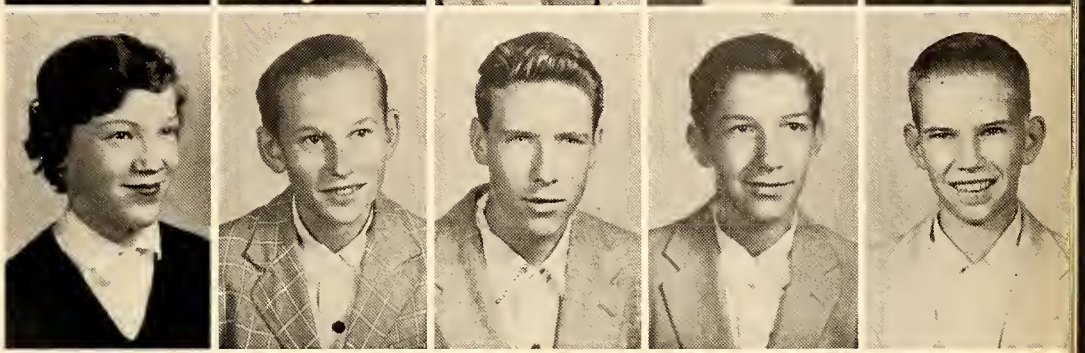

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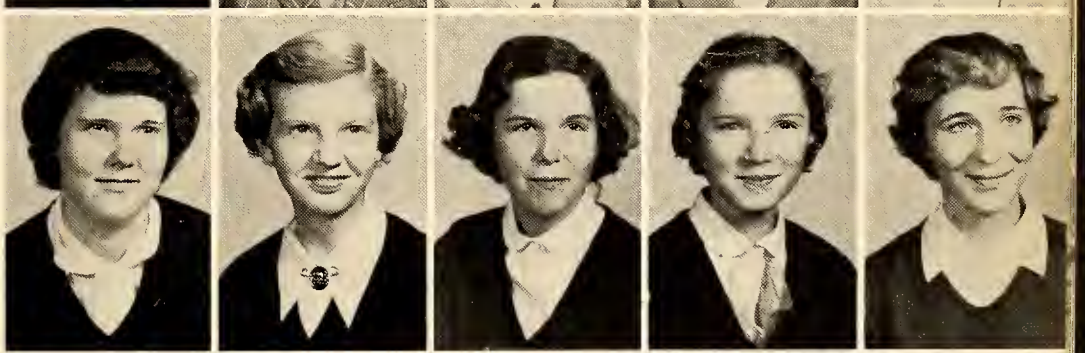

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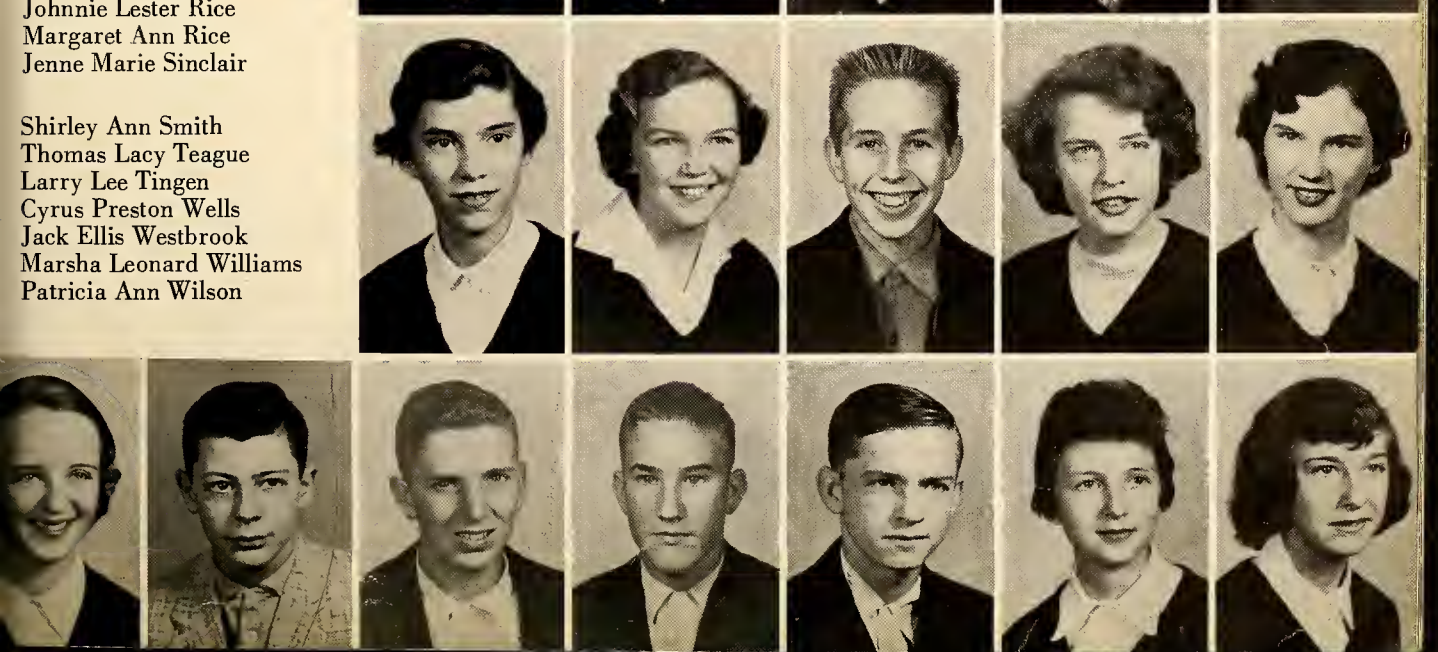
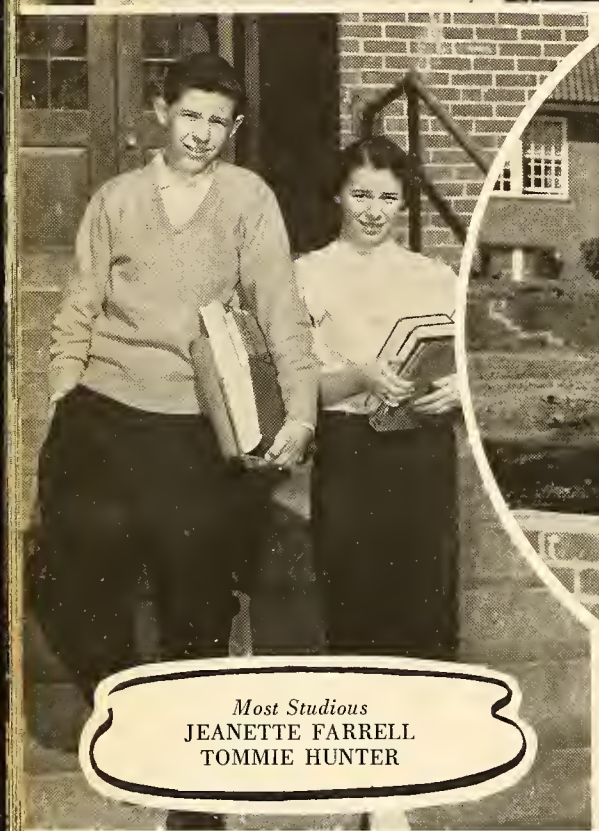


Most Popular
Best All-Around
PATSY CATES WAGONER
JACKIE BARNES

Best Dressed
EVELYN ALLEN
DELMAR McADAMS



Most Studious
JEANETTE FARRELL
TOMMIE HUNTER

Cutest
GALE C. ISLEY
ROBERT MERRITT

Quietest
LINDA LONG
J. D. KIMREY

Most Athletic
SHELBY FARRELL
HERMAN CRAWFORD

Choice

Biggest Flirt
FRANK SMITH
ODEAN RILEY

Most Talented
KAY JONES
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Most Mischievous
BARBARA RAY
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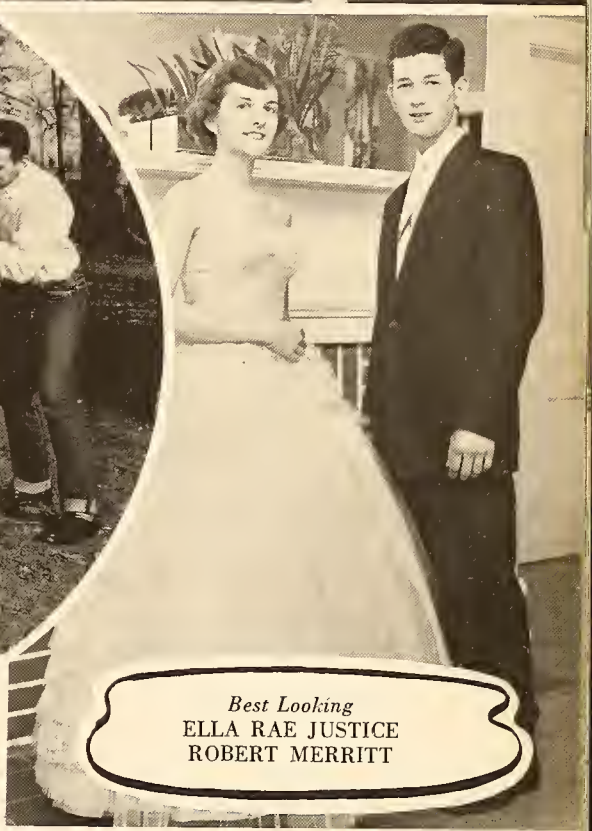

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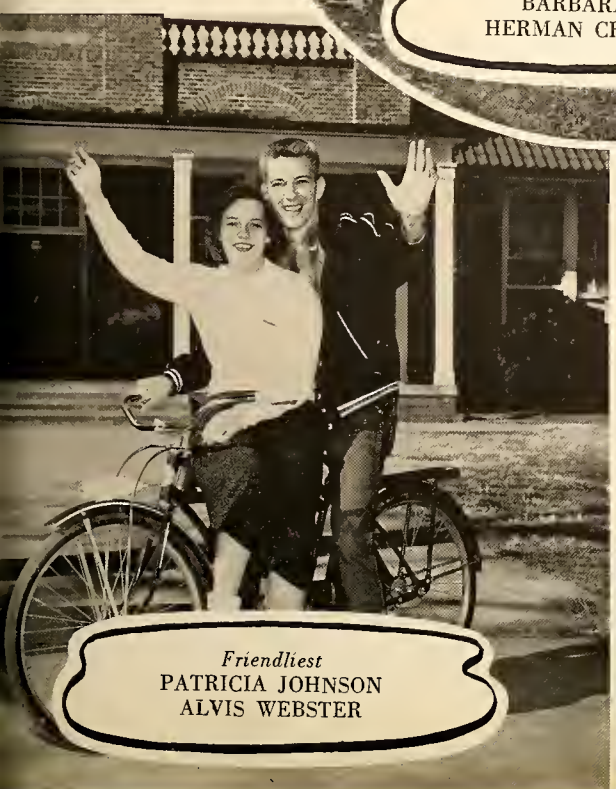
ELLA RAE JUSTICE
ROBERT MERRITT



Friendliest
PATRICIA JOHNSON
ALVIS WEBSTER

Most Intellectual
Most Likely to Succeed
GRATHA MAE CAVINESS
WALLACE SNIPES

"In all their Dignity"

Senior Class Poem

The joys of man are three:
To dream; to do; and to be.
May we always dare to dream and dare to do
Loving the truth and being to ourselves true.

For all the hopes and fears,
That will fill our coming years,
We'll come back gladly to dear days of old . . .
In the light of our yesterday's radiant glow;
Always back to our school days of long ago.

Crooked paths go everywhere . . .
But the straight ones we must follow,
Over the long road of hopes and fears . . .
To meet the needs and demands of tomorrow.

We have been "Crammed with knowledge" . . .
And stuffed until our heads are numb;
We've had lectures until we're so tired . . .
That our brains are just "out of plumb."

Math has caused us grief and groaning;
Theme writing has exhausted our assurance . . .
English has given us misery and moaning . . .
But we've won through our endurance.

No more in Alexander Wilson we'll shine . . .
But soon we'll be the alumni here.
Even when we're far away . . .
We'll tell her goodness 'till we're old and grey.

And now, school of our early days,
We, who will always sound your praise;
Shall not forget the honor due thee . . .
Who gave us faith to say . . .
"Aim High but Reach Higher" . . .
In this life that starts a new today . . .
And inspires us to dream, to do, and to be.

Gratha Mae Caviness
Class Poet

Mr. Williams,
It has been a pleasure to me to be one of your students here at Alexander Wilson. I sincerely think that you have been a guiding light, to not only me, but to all of the students.
Hope to see you at future ballgames and alumni parties.
As ever,
Gratha Mae
'56

Mr. Williams,
I have enjoyed knowing you these wonderful four years. I hope you will forgive me for the mistake in the dedication also. I am glad you got it and I think credit it. I know you have always been behind me, guiding me and I appreciate it. I hope we will always be friends. Hope to see you this summer. I never did take that beach trip we planned. Well Best of luck and hope your finds a mate

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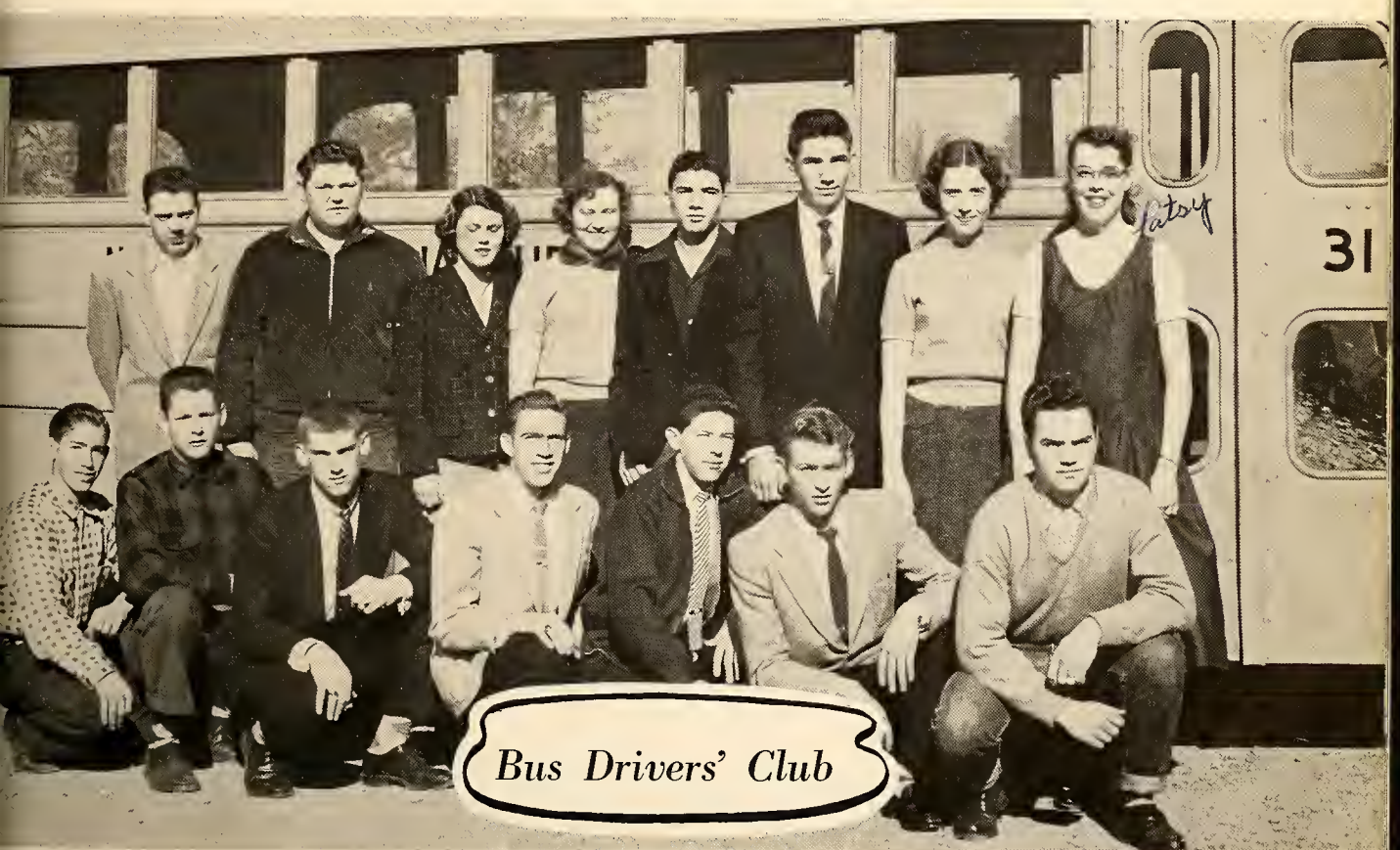

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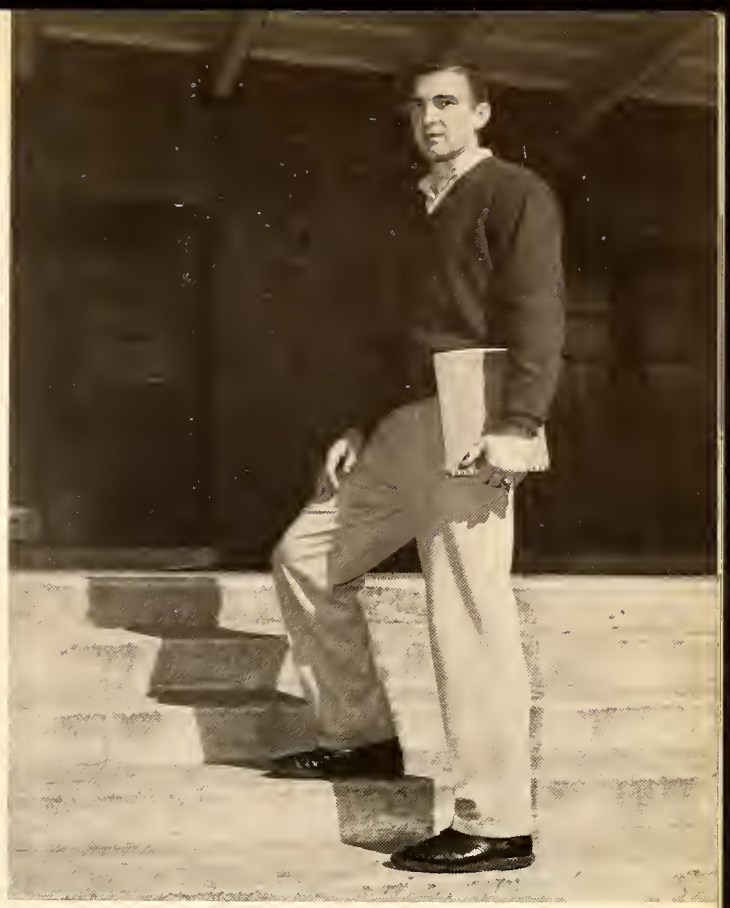

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WILLIAM LEWIS ROBERTSON, *Coach*

Kneeling, left to right: Williams, Carden, Barnes, Moore, Crutchfield, Hunter. Standing: Smith, Allen, Thompson, Rice, Woods, Webster, Robertson, Coach.

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Alexander Wilson	6	Eli Whitney	5
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Alexander Wilson	6	Mebane	3
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Alexander Wilson	10	Elon	1
Alexander Wilson	9	Altamahaw Ossippee	0

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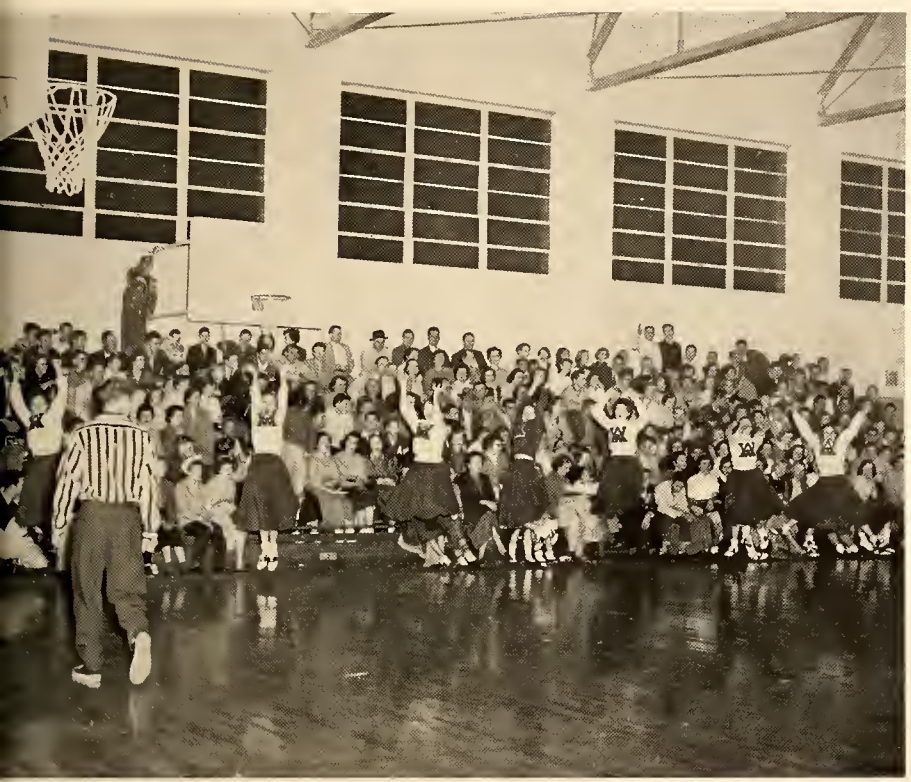

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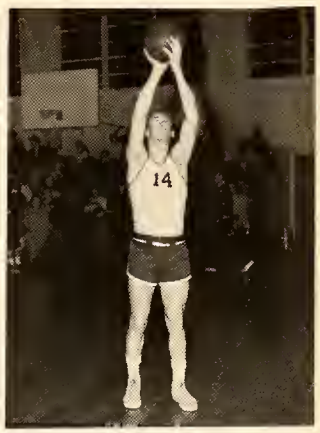

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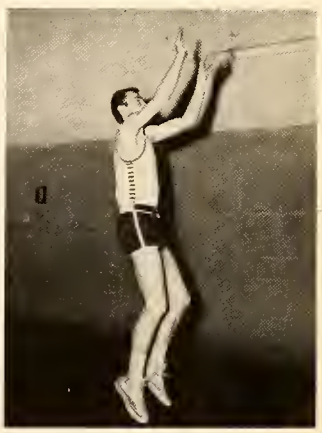

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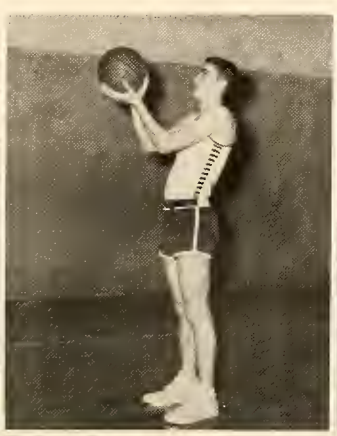

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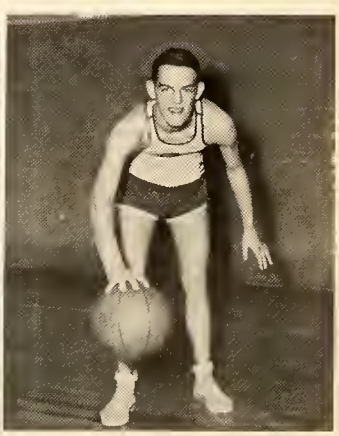

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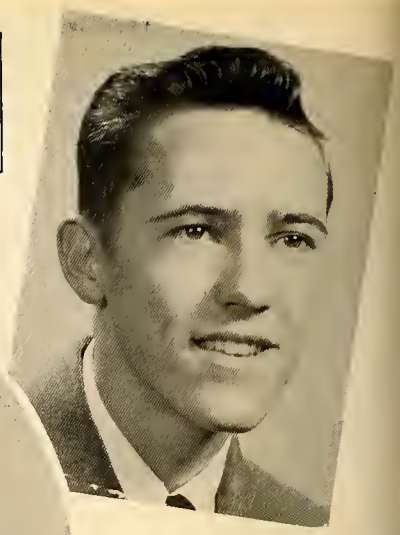

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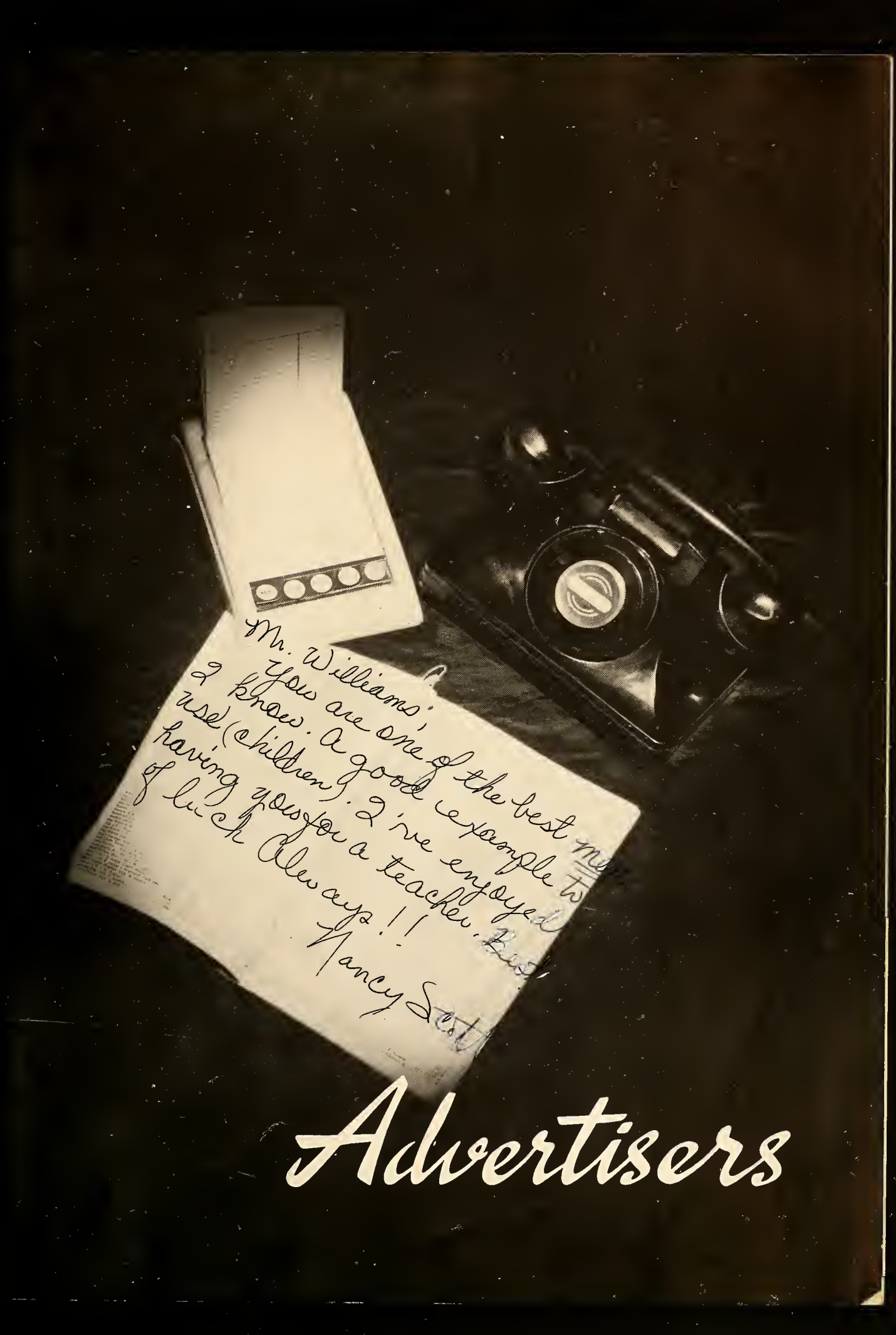

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I have enjoyed being in your English and World History Class this year. I think you are one of the best teachers at Wilson High School. You have encouraged me in many ways in English. May success and happiness come to you in your life.

A friend,
Carol McVey

Mr. Williams

I have enjoyed being in your English class, even if I did talk a lot and you having to call me down.

Sincerely,
Janice Hart

Mr. Williams,
I have enjoyed being in your class and giving
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You were first as well as last.
You've been a real friend to me.
Dave Farrell

Mr. Williams,
I have enjoyed being in your classes. You seem to be a part of the senior class, because you came to High school with us. We have had many good times at Bob's after the ball game, and had a good time the night that I followed you and Miss Cash from Haw River to Gibsonville. I hope we can have more rendezvous at Bob's next year. I think that you are a very understanding person, and I do respect you for that. May the teaching profession hold for you a better and richer life in the years to come.
Best wishes and a former student,
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I've known you ever since the time that you and I have been with you surely does make me think of you often. I shall remember you always.
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Mr. Williams knowing you and having you as a teacher has been one of my greatest high school days
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Mr. Williams, I have enjoyed knowing you. I also enjoyed being in your class. In the 11th grade. May you have success always.
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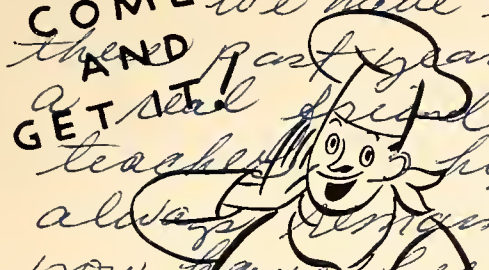

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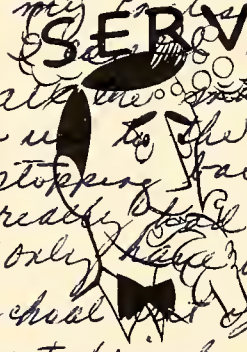

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a friend
Shelby Farrell

mr. Williams,

I have really enjoyed having you as one of my teachers. It was very helpful for you to help me in my [illegible] classes. I don't know what I would have done. I shall never forget all the [illegible] you have taken me to the basket-ball games and our stopping back by Bob's and Jake's. We really had a good time. You not only have been a great help to me in school but you have also been one of my best friends and I shall never forget you.

May happiness success and love be yours forever.

Always a friend,
Jeanette

Mr. Williams,
I have enjoyed being in your home room this year and English class. I enjoyed our class party and being with you this year. Lots of luck to the best of teachers.
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your friend
Always,
Jesse

Mr. Williams,

It has been very nice having you as a home room and English teacher. You have given me a lot of help and advise that I will always remember. May you continues to have success and much happiness in the future. Best of luck to a wonderful person and teacher.

Respect fully,
Penny Parrish

Mr. Williams,

I have really enjoyed being in your home room and English Class. May you receive all the success and happiness that life has to offer.

Sincerely yours.
Jo Ann C[illegible]

Mr. Williams
I have enjoyed being in your room this year. I wish you all the best and success with your
Herbert Dillard

Mr. Williams
I have had a pleasant year in English. I have enjoyed it very much. I have enjoyed having you for my English teacher. May you have all the success and happiness that life has to offer. Here's wishing you the best of Luck.
a friend always.
Dennis Loy

Mr. Williams

In my notion you are the best teacher in Wilson. I have enjoyed being in your English class this year very much. I hope I will be in your class next year. Best of luck to the best teacher.

Penny Owen

Mr. Williams,

I enjoy your teaching, but not history! No kidding I like ya loads. But please stop calling me down so much, and give me better grades.

Jayne Shaw

Mr. Williams,

I have enjoyed being in your English class this year very much and I feel I have learned a lot due to your good teaching I'm sure. I would like to wish the best of luck to a wonderful person and teacher. Lots of luck and success in the years to come.

a friend always,
Anne Dodson

Mr. Williams,

I have enjoyed having you for an English teacher. May happiness and success always follow you through your life and teaching. Good luck always to a swell English teacher.

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Your pal,
Bernard Mc

Mr. Williams,
I have enjoyed being in your class in the tenth grade. I wish the best of luck to a fine person.
Linda Long

Mr. Williams,
It has been a pleasure knowing you these four years. I will always remember you as one of my best teachers.
a friend,
Odessa K.

Mr. Williams,
It has been a great experience these four years of high school, but as I look back to my freshman year I see a boy who didn't think he would ever make it through the following three years. You have encouraged me and inspired me and helped me over a lot of high hurdles. I remember our freshman English class. We used to have some rough times. I hope you and Curtains on fire at old Wilson, Good Luck. Your friend,
Tommie Hunter